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Docket No. H 5716-I

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of Giordani, et al.

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Serial No.: 10/531,113

Examiner: Lois L. Zheng

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Title: PICKLING OR BRIGHTENING/PASSIVATING SOLUTION AND PROCESS FOR
STEEL AND STAINLESS STEEL

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

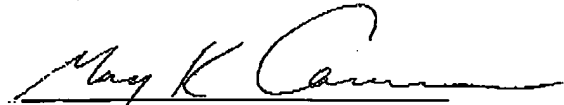
Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed November 24, 2008 for a period of time of three (3) months from February 24, 2009 up to and through May 26, 2009, where May 24, 2009 was a Sunday, and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was closed on Monday, May 25, 2009 for a holiday.

Accordingly, the Patent and Trademark Office extension fee of \$1,110.00 [37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a), 1.17(a)(1)] due in connection with the submission of this Petition may be charged to Deposit Account No. 12-2135. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited, respectively, to that deposit account.

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Respectfully submitted,

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